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SUBJ: ENERGY : FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR UN-SPONSORED CONFERENCE

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1. ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR TOOK OPPORTUNITY DURING CONVERSATION WITH FOREIGNSECRETARIAT, DEPUTY DIRECTOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS TOMASEVIC TO CONVEY OUR VIEWS ON FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR UN-SPONSORED CONFERENCE ON ENERGY.

2. TOMASEVIC SAID YUGOSLAVS DID NOT WANT TO CREATE DIFFICULTIES FOR ANY ONE BUT THE FRENCH PROPOSAL WAS CLOSER TO YUGOSLAV IDEAS ON PROPER FORUM FOR HANDLING THE ENERGY PROBLEM. WE TOLD TOMASEVIC THAT IT WAS DIFFICULT TO SEE HOW ANY MEANINGFUL PROGRESS COULD BE MADE ON ENERGY IN UN-SPONSORED MEETING; WE STRESSED THAT VIEWS OF NON-PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES WOULD BE TAKEN INTO ACCOUNT IN FEBRUARY AND SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS.

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3. COMMENT: AS INDICATED REFTTEL B, YUGOSLAVS HAVE
GENERALLY FAVORED "OPEN ENDED BODIES" CONSIDER ECONOMIC PROBLEMS
AFFECTING LDC'S" WE GAINED IMPRESSION FROM TOMASEVIC
THAT YUGOSLAVS WOULD NOT WANT SEE ARABS GIVE UP EXISTING LEVERAGE
IN DEALING MIDDLE EAST PROBLEM BY NEGOTIATING AGREEMENT ON OIL
IN NARROW FORUM. SECONDLY, TOMASEVIC COMMENTS REFLECTED
SOME YUGOSLAV RESERVATIONS ABOUT ARAB WILLINGNESS AND ABILITY
TO WORK OUT AN ARRANGEMENT IN NARROWER FORUM TO PROTECT THE
INTERESTS OF OTHER LDC'S.
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